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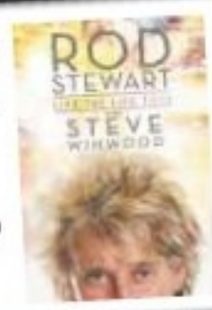

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Cyberbullies using social media for criminal intent

District attorney threatens Facebook with letter ◗ Williams asks CEO to take down illegal postings ◗ Internet thugs committed to exterminating real 'rats'

District Attorney Seth Williams yesterday sent a letter to Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg urging him to remove what he says are potentially life-threatening posts intimidating witnesses.

"We all know that Facebook is often used as a way for people to get messages out," Williams said. "Unfortunately a lot of the defendants, the people we see at the Criminal Justice Center, have Facebook pages as well and they're sending messages about their criminal enterprises, about how to intimidate people, about how to hurt people to other people. We're trying to do all we can to protect witnesses."

It is a slippery slope for social media sites and for freedom of speech.

"When incidents like this occur on Facebook, it erodes all the work and all the attempts that we're trying to do to protect witnesses and ensure their safety," said assistant director of Victims Services Leland Kent.

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▶ Someone, not Henriquez, posted this photo in 2012. He was later convicted of witness intimidation.

FACEBOOK

▶ Henriquez, left, and David Ruiz allegedly made their intentions to kill a "rat" clear in a Facebook post.

A recent case in point

Central to Williams' plea is the case of 20-year-old Freddie Henriquez, who in August allegedly obtained the statement of a witness testifying against four of his friends regarding illegal gun transactions and posted on his page photos of the statement with the caption "rats."

Though Henriquez has been charged with witness retaliation, witness intimidation and making terroristic threats, the Facebook posts remained online as of yesterday morning, according to Williams.

By last night, however, Henriquez had deleted his Facebook account.

"We in law enforcement have to keep up with the technology of the defendants," Williams said.

"We need [Zuckerberg] to help us protect witnesses by not allowing filth to be on Facebook, where people actually identify the person as a rat and demand that the rats be killed."

He said no legal action is being taken against the popular site, but the site could face action in the future "be seen to be somehow advancing the criminal enterprise" and "be held criminally culpable."

In the news

Protestors plan to picket porn star marketing

Christian protesters plan to picket an Interstate 95 billboard featuring adult film star Bree Olson for allegedly promoting adultery. The group will gather outside of Steen Outdoor Advertising, at 3201 S. 26th St., today at 1:30 p.m. "The message of the ad ... twists the commandment against adultery," says Rev. Shota Iwasaki, state pastor of the Unification Church organizations. METRO

Local tweet

"#ThatAwkward-Moment when ur trainer tells u what ur doing today and his breathe smells like booty doo....."AIN'T NOBODY GOT TIME FOR THAT"

@KEVINHART4REAL JUMPS ON THAT FUN HASH TAG

Parkway set for a major face-lift in 2015

A plan officially unveiled last night by the Department of Parks and Recreation proposes big changes for the Benjamin Franklin Parkway.

Prepared by PennPraxis, the plan — More Park, Less Way — suggests improvements that will make the popular tourist destination more pedestrian-friendly for out-of-town visitors and draw in some of the estimated 70,000 residents who live within a 10-minute distance from the space.

"By enhancing the Parkway as a beloved park space for Philadelphians to use on a daily basis, the city of Philadelphia has the opportunity to fully realize the vision of the Parkway as one of the world's great cultural boulevards," said Harris Steinberg, of PennPraxis, in the document's introduction.

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

▶ Ben Franklin Parkway is getting greener.

The plan, set to be implemented in 2015, identifies nine sites officials say could be put to better use. At the top of the list are about 13 acres of potential park space around Eakins Oval, across from the Philadelphian near the Iroquois statue, at the edge of Von Colln Memorial Field and in front of the Park Towne Place Apartments.

70K
Improvements will draw in some of the estimated 70,000 residents living within 10 minutes from the space.

Possibilities for those spaces include movable furniture, improved lighting, bicycle rentals, playgrounds and spaces for yoga. There are no funds earmarked to support radical improvements at this point. Officials said the changes most likely to be undertaken first are more clearly marked pedestrian crosswalks. METRO/AW

News in brief

Kensington pharmacy robbed

KENSINGTON. Police are looking for three men who robbed the York Street Pharmacy.

Police said three gunmen entered the pharmacy at East York and Memphis streets shortly after 11 a.m. and demanded money and prescription drugs. They fled on foot and were last seen running east on York Street.

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$30K They left with $30,000 in cash and meds.

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Nutter enacts plan to stop deadbeat property owners

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$260M

Nutter projects the new initiative will generate $260 million in revenue over the next five to six years.

▶ Mayor Michael Nutter said 91 percent of property taxes are paid in the same year they are due.

Mayor Michael Nutter unveiled a $40 million strategy yesterday that he hopes will nudge owners who owe delinquent property taxes to pay their bills.

Nutter projects the new initiative will generate $260 million in revenue over the next five to six years. The city was owed $248 million in delinquent property taxes in 2012.

"It's not fair that the overwhelming majority of people do actually pay their taxes, and almost all have paid on time," Nutter said, noting 91-percent of property taxes were paid the year in which they were due. "But that some choose not to."

Of the estimated $40 million, $25 million will come from capital funds and $15 million from operational funds over the next five years. The cash will be used to hire 55 new employees, establish a call center and modernize the revenue department's information technology system. Nutter's plan calls for an integrated data warehouse tax system to track delinquent taxpayers and determine their rightfulness to pay.

The mayor also said a new tax hardware system will analyze more complex data and help capacity and efficiency issues. He added that expanding educational efforts will help taxpayers understand why paying their property taxes is important. He said he would also leverage collection agencies to increase enforcement.

A property is registered as delinquent nine months after the city's payment deadline expires. A delinquent property, by law, is slated for auction as early as nine months after it is registered as delinquent.

"Unless you are in a hardship situation," Nutter said, "there really is no excuse."

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Facts and figures

- Ninety-one percent of property taxes were paid the year in which they were due.
- At the end of 2012, the city was owed $248 million in delinquent property taxes, which includes interest and penalties.
- Mayor Michael Nutter projects that the new initiative will generate $260 million in revenue over the next five to six years.

In the news

Savage facing death penalty in murder trial

The murder trial for Kaboni Savage began yesterday with jurors watching video of a burning blaze that killed two women and four children. Savage, a noted Philadelphia drug kingpin, is being prosecuted for racketeering and murder.

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Were killed in the fire that Savage is accused of setting

Savage, along with his sister, Kidada, and two other men are charged with killing witnesses and rivals, including a 2004 firebombing that took the lives of six relatives of Eugene Coleman, a former drug dealer who agreed to testify against Savage. METRO

Obama's gun control push goes to Midwest

▶ A man holds up a gun control sign while Obama's motorcade passes in Minneapolis, Minn.

BRENDAN SMIALOWSKI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

President Barack Obama yesterday took his gun control campaign to Minneapolis, making a visible push for reform ahead of his State of the Union address in a state with an active hunting culture where efforts have helped curtail violence.

On Jan. 16 he proposed requiring criminal background checks for all gun sales, including private sales, banning so-called assault weapons and limiting ammunition magazines to 10 rounds.

"The president supports ... the reinstatement of the assault weapons ban."
CARNEY

Gun control efforts face an uphill climb politically in the face of a powerful pro-gun lobby and a strong U.S. tradition of hunting and gun ownership. A right to bear arms is constitutionally guaranteed to Americans. An effort to ban assault rifles is seen as the toughest sell among the president's proposals in a country where many Americans see gun control as an infringement of their rights and an example of government overreach.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said Obama still supported the ban despite lackluster backing on Capitol Hill. **REUTERS**

Why Minn.?

The state is emblematic of the challenges Obama will face in advancing gun control in Congress.

- While Minnesota's two Democratic U.S. senators have said they are sympathetic to measures to curb gun violence, the NRA, the largest U.S. gun rights group, has backed all four Republicans and two of the Democrats who represent the state in the House.
- Obama's visit to Minneapolis, which in January hosted a regional gun summit led in part by Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak, is his first trip outside of Washington to promote his gun violence agenda.

News in brief

King Richard III's bones found; no horse in sight

A skeleton with a cleaved skull and a curved spine entombed under a car park is that of Richard III, archaeologists said yesterday, solving a 500-year-old mystery about the final resting place of the last English king to die in battle.

Cast by Shakespeare as a deformed tyrant who murdered two princes in the Tower of London, Richard was slain in a bid to keep his crown at the 1485 Battle of Bosworth Field, immortalized by the words: "A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!"

In one of the most significant archaeological finds of recent English history, a team from the University of Leicester said evidence showed a skeleton found last year in excavations of a mediaeval friary under a city car park was that of Richard. **REUTERS**

10 The skeleton had 10 wounds, eight of which were to the head clearly inflicted on the battlefield.

News in brief

Bin Laden's death clears way for amusement park

Pakistan plans to build a $30 million amusement park and outdoor activity center on the edge of the northwestern town of Abbottabad, where U.S. special forces killed Osama bin Laden, authorities said.

Authorities have demolished the large white villa where bin Laden lived. **REUTERS**

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In the news

BSA board will discuss an end to ban on gays

Boy Scouts of America board members will meet this week to debate ending a controversial national ban on gay membership, prompting groups both for and against the move to converge on its Texas headquarters for demonstrations.

The national executive board, which lists more than 70 members, is expected to vote tomorrow — the last day of a three-day meeting — on whether to lift the ban they had reaffirmed just last year amid criticism from gay-rights groups and gay former Scouts and Scout leaders. **REUTERS**

In the news

Ahmadinejad is ready to be first Iranian in space

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said yesterday he was ready to be the first human sent into orbit by Iran's fledgling space program, the country's media reported.

Iran declared last week that it had successfully launched a monkey into space and retrieved it alive, which officials hailed as a major step toward their goal of sending humans into space.

The launch added to Western concerns about Iran's space program because the same rocket technology could potentially be used to deliver a nuclear warhead on a ballistic missile. **REUTERS**

NFL: Beyonce show didn't cause Super Bowl outage

The National Football League was still working with New Orleans officials yesterday to determine what caused the power outage at Sunday's Super Bowl at the Superdome, so far dismissing any connection with the Beyonce halftime show.

With a record U.S. television audience watching along with viewers in 180 countries, about half the stadium lights went dark early in the second half of the game, in which the Baltimore Ravens defeated the San Francisco 49ers, 34-31.

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell told reporters yesterday that an investigation was under way to determine the cause of the 35-minute disruption — but one possible explanation had already been eliminated.

"There's no indication at all that this was caused by the halftime show," Goodell said.

Entergy Corp., the utility providing power to the Superdome, said its distribution and transmission feeders were serving the arena at all times.

Early indications were that the outage resulted from an abnormality in the Superdome's power system, but it was too early to speculate on what went wrong, said Doug Thornton, senior vice president of the Superdome's management company, SMG. **REUTERS**

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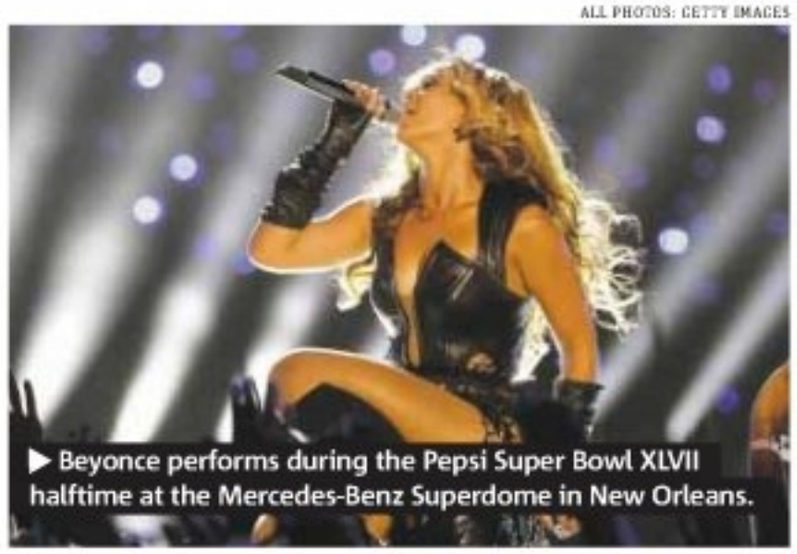
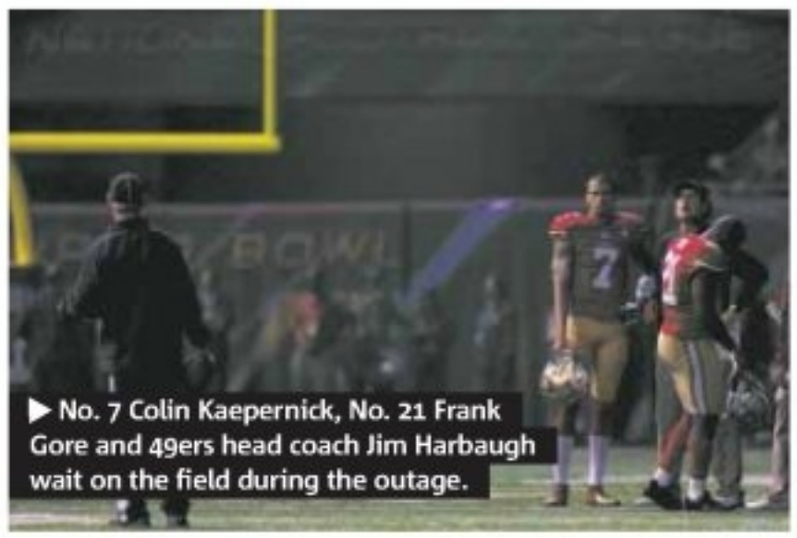


▶ Beyonce performs during the Pepsi Super Bowl XLVII halftime at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome in New Orleans.



▶ No. 7 Colin Kaepernick, No. 21 Frank Gore and 49ers head coach Jim Harbaugh wait on the field during the outage.

"I know that's out there, that Beyonce's ... show had something to do with it. That is not the case."
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It can even make your degree stronger if you plan it effectively and use the opportunity to your advantage.

Extra major

Doing a double major can make you more appealing in the job market. If you like languages, you may be able to combine one with business studies for a degree tailored to international business. If you like music, history or sociology, combining these with an education degree opens doors to a career in music or social studies education.

Double majors show employers that you are driven and motivated, and pragmatic combinations position you well for competitive fields.

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Travel

Taking time to travel is one of the most valuable experiences in life. Experiences abroad show employers you are adaptable, proactive and confident.

But if you continue to take courses while living abroad, they may not all transfer back to your home institution. Always plan foreign study with an academic advisor.

Personal reasons

For many students, the transition to college can be tough; it's OK to slow down. Extending a degree can mean you can work while going to school.

It's not always easy: Will you be able to pay for that extra semester? Do you want added student loans? Sometimes the answer is yes — but before making any decision, discuss your goals and options with a counselor or your department advisor.

Internships and volunteering

Many of us finish our degrees with the classic problem: lots of education but no experience.

Internships and volunteering are becoming an increasingly valuable addition to many undergraduate degrees.

Getting out there in the job market can be a chance to earn while you learn, too. Internships can help build contacts and a network in your chosen career. Alternately, you can use the time to do a trial run of a career path you're interested in.

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In the news

College enrollment drops for first time in 15 years: Study

Just more than a month ago, the National Center for Education Statistics released some surprising data: College enrollments were down for the first time in 15 years, prompting a debate over higher education in the U.S.

Michael Reilly is the executive director of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. He represents the people on the front lines of the enrollment issue, and he says it was no surprise to the 11,000 members of the AACRAO.

How much did enrollments go down?
From 2010 to 2011, they went from 18.65 million to 18.62. We don't have numbers on 2012 yet. While that's not a huge decline, it's the first decrease in 15 years.

Why was there a decline?
Any admissions person could have told you this would happen seven years ago. We knew we would have peak high school graduates around 2010, then see a drop. Some of this is just demographics — a cycle of the population — but it's complex. Diversity in our high schools is increasing, but there are enormous gaps in the U.S. between racial and ethnic groups in college preparedness. State budget cuts likely contributed, and a big chunk of the decline may be due to the for-profit sector. They've been under more scrutiny over low graduation rates and other issues.

Could this be a larger trend?
The NCES predicts we will see increases, but this downturn will last for a few years. Some states, particularly in the Northeast, will likely not rebound. The South and the West will probably bounce back faster.

BRUCE WALSH

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▶ There will be more empty seats in classrooms.

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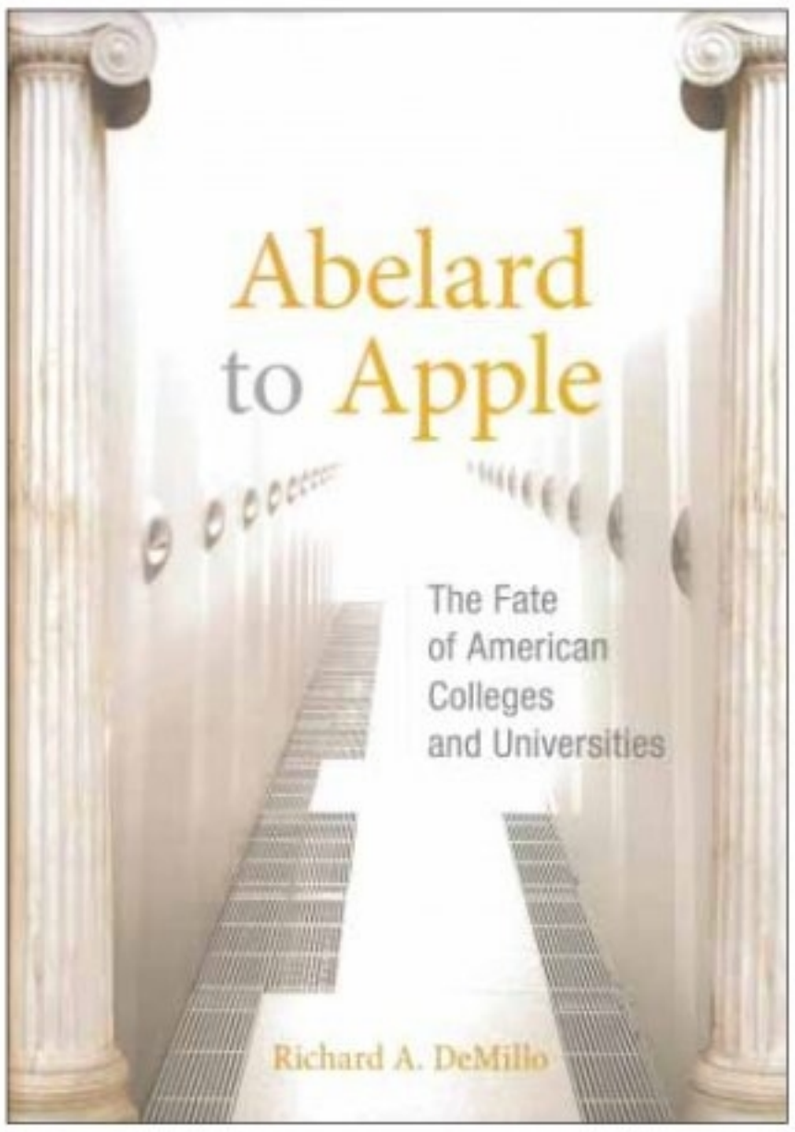
What public universities can learn from the 12th century



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"Universities go on spending sprees to build fancy dormitories and climbing walls, because it's the kind of bling that attracts students. But all of that spending is directed away from the classroom — away from actual learning. I think students and parents are starting to pick up on that."

RICHARD DEMILLO

Richard DeMillo wants to lift the veil on the inner workings of public universities. The former Hewlett-Packard executive has split his career between university administration and corporate hierarchy. Over the years, he's noticed a few things about how these organizations tend to function.

His latest book, "Abelard to Apple: The Fate of American Colleges and Universities," charts the legacy of modern higher education, from 12th century scholar Peter Abelard to the current proliferation of online courses. But this is no history lecture. DeMillo's book challenges public universities to either adjust their models or be left behind.

About

Richard DeMillo is the director of Georgia Tech University's Center for 21st Century Universities, a research center founded in 2011. C21U's goal is to better understand the forces of technology in higher education and to develop strategies for Georgia Tech's future.

"Since medieval times, the natural tendency of the university is to think more about their own value systems and professors' needs than the needs of society," says DeMillo, from his office at Georgia Tech. "I think it's time to start thinking about what a university offers to the public. There's a feeling among leaders that they have to compete with schools above them in rankings. That means they have to become research institutions and spend lots of money on buildings. But is that serving the student?"

DeMillo senses that the changing economic landscape is forcing universities to do some soul-searching.

"There is an elite band of universities that can afford to set their own agendas. And there's some startup higher education organizations that are experimenters," he says. "But in the middle you have some 3,000 institutions that don't have international brands or big endowments, and many are clinging to an outdated model where they hold all the cards. But now you can get the equivalent course material for free online, so it's time to rethink why they can ask a family to pony up so much money."

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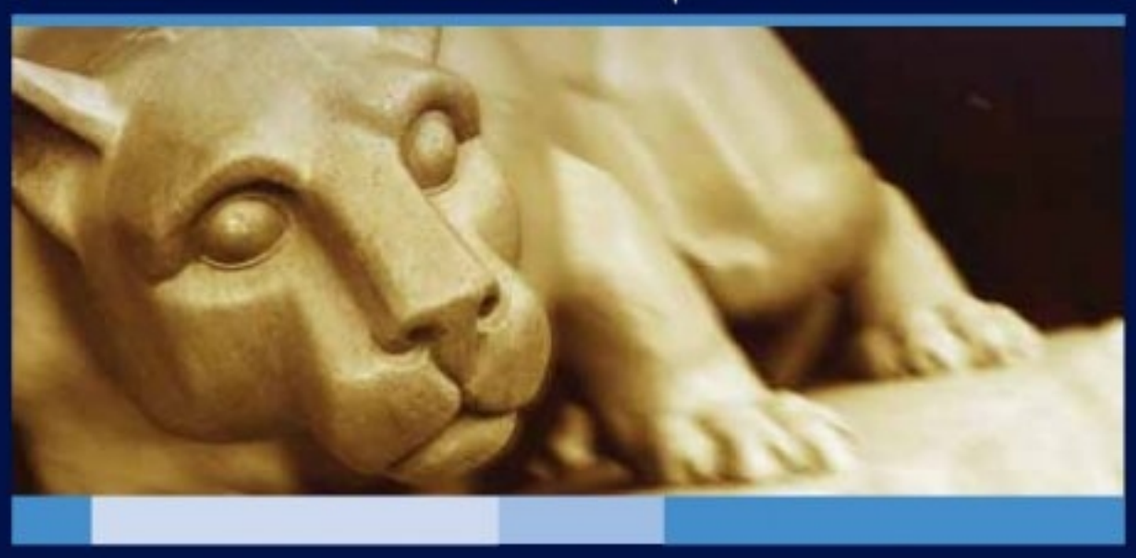

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Katie Holmes is back on the market

Katie Holmes is reportedly ready to start dating again after her split from **Tom Cruise**, but sources say the fallout from their divorce is having an effect on her, according to Radar Online. "Katie's in a dilemma because she wants to date but is concerned where it could lead to from there," a source says. "She's worried that if she commits herself fully to another man, she will have to give up the freedom she's enjoying so much at the moment. As a single woman, she has no one controlling her nowadays, telling her what to do or who to see — and she absolutely loves it. However, at the same time, she also misses being with someone special to share experiences with, and she doesn't want to be alone for the rest of her life."

Don't worry, Katie. Metro has a few suggestions for a new waltz partner for this new phase of your life:

1. John Mayer: Because everyone hooks up with John Mayer.
2. Joshua Jackson: Wouldn't a "Dawson's Creek" reunion be better as a reality show?
3. Samantha Ronson: What better way for Stella to get her groove back?
4. Danny DeVito: She does have a thing for older, shorter guys, right?
5. Ted the talking teddy bear: That bear made half a billion dollars at the box office; Katie needs serious box office help.

Actually, it doesn't matter who Katie Holmes dates. The real question is: Who will be at Suri's playdates?

Beyonce announces tour dates

Does she know how to announce a world tour or what? Fresh off a sweaty, hair-whipping Super Bowl performance, **Beyonce** continued ruling the world by announcing a world tour that will hit North America this summer. "The Mrs. Carter Show World Tour" is said to be her biggest yet. Queen B hasn't toured since 2009. Beyonce will make a stop in Philadelphia to perform at the Wells Fargo Center on July 25.

Talking points

Styles parties with stripper

One Direction's **Harry Styles** celebrated his 19th birthday Friday with the help of a stripper, a gift sent over from a London radio DJ, according to the Sun. Styles, for his part, found the act more comical than sexy. "It was great. I was in stitches. It was really funny," Styles tells the newspaper of the act, in which the woman was dressed as a cop. "The funniest part was that when she finished, she said, 'I'm really sorry. I couldn't find my truncheon, so I had to bring my nunchucks.' That was a bit weird." And lest any of his young fans think anything untoward happened: "She stripped down to her underwear," according to Styles, "but unfortunately there was a no-nudity policy in the bar."

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▶ Styles

Moore moves on with Morton

Demi Moore is spending more time with restauranteur **Harry Morton**, fueling speculation that the pair is getting serious, according to Us Weekly. Moore joined Morton for a cozy dinner at a West Hollywood restaurant this weekend. "She looked really very happy," a source says. Sources seem to be conflicting on the nature of Moore and Morton's relationship, with E! News reporting that they've been quietly dating for months while Us Weekly's sources insist they "are absolutely not dating."

Bieber and Gomez are back at it

A month after what seemed like a pretty permanent breakup, **Justin Bieber** and **Selena Gomez** reportedly reunited at Bieber's L.A. home recently, according to Us Weekly. The "Spring Breakers" actress was spotted leaving Bieber's place in the morning after reportedly spending the night. It's unclear whether the meeting was romantic. "It never ends," an exasperated source tells the magazine. "We'll see. It's such drama with them."

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The feed ...

▶ *Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.*

Today, Jessica Alba is feeling violated, Liam Payne is channeling Justin Timberlake, Dana Delaney is feeling overwhelmed and Will Arnett is desperate for attention.

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Jessica Alba

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Julie Andrews: The princess diaries

The legendary performer on the new chapter in her life, being a best-selling children's author Writing is now where her heart is Speaking of princesses, what about Kate?

The legendary Julie Andrews has worn many artistic hats — all to great acclaim. Her latest, that of a children's book author, is no different.

"To date, my daughter Emma and I have done about 27 books together — that's a real joy for me," she says in her unmistakable British lilt, calling from her home in Long Island.

"The Very Fairy Princess Follows Her Heart" is the latest installment in the Very Fairy Princess series that she produces with her daughter, Emma Walton Hamilton, and Christine Davenier, who illustrates the series.

"We wanted to make her not really an anti-fairy princess, but one who is more of a tomboy."
ANDREWS

Their inspiration? To set their main character, the lively Geraldine, apart from the more stereotypical literary princesses out there.

"We wanted to make her not really an anti-fairy princess, but one who is more of a tomboy," says Andrews. "Geraldine's got her socks about her ankles but she's convinced she's a fairy princess. And most of the time, she convinces everyone else that she is one, too."

"The Very Fairy Princess Follows Her Heart" tags along with Geraldine as she handcrafts valentines for her class. Because of a mix-up, she gets to school without them. By the end of the story, she saves the day by telling each of her classmates what makes them "sparkle in her eyes and heart," explains Andrews.

What makes Andrews' "heart sparkle" is writing the series with her daughter.

"I mean, I do a lot of other things. I tour, I speak and do the occasional film, so I'm a little bit all over the place," she explains. "But what I'd call my day job these days — and my joy — is writing. It's certainly where my heart is right now in this phase of my life."

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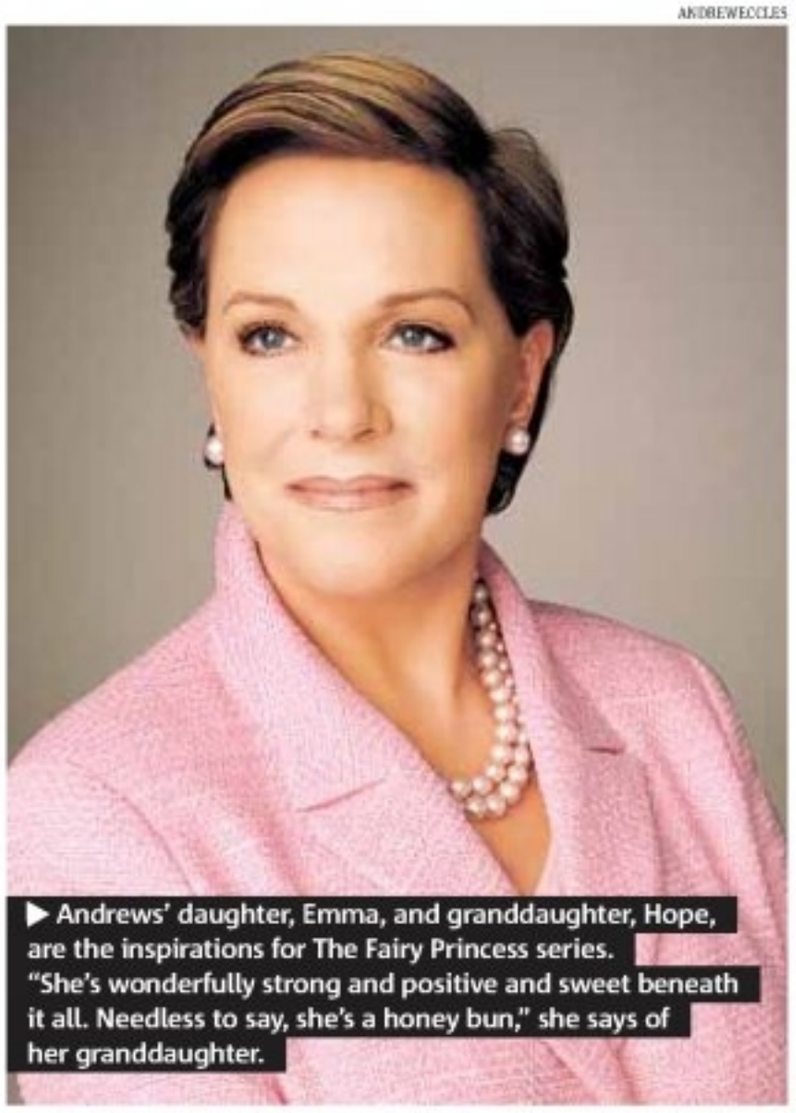

▶ Andrews' daughter, Emma, and granddaughter, Hope, are the inspirations for The Fairy Princess series. "She's wonderfully strong and positive and sweet beneath it all. Needless to say, she's a honey bun," she says of her granddaughter.

Andrews on a real princess

We ask Andrews what she thinks of her real princess, Kate Middleton and she is, of course, nothing but gracious. "I think she's terrific. I mean, I can't imagine what she's going through in the limelight having a baby right now," she says. "They seem to be a very happy couple, and I'm so glad for them because they probably need each other very much." When we suggest she put a few of her books in the mail to Middleton once she has her baby, Andrews laughs. "Well, who knows? I guess it depends on what they have. You never know!"

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The unknown Joy Division revealed in new memoir

Joy Division went to great lengths to keep the public in the dark during their brief career as a band. The influential goth-rock band from Manchester, U.K., trafficked in album artwork that never featured their name, much less the faces of members, and on the rare occasions they granted interviews their answers were usually evasive or flippant. The only thing for listeners to go on was the dark and mysterious music. Bassist Peter Hook wants to change all of that with his new book, "Unknown Pleasures: Inside Joy Division."

"I was a little bit wary of debunking all the myths," admits Hook. "I just got sick of reading books about Joy Division by people who weren't there, and they always seem to focus on the dark and mysterious intensity of Joy Division, which is something that, whilst I appreciate, I can't say that I recognize it completely."

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▶ Peter Hook is pictured, right, playing with Ian Curtis in 1979.

"Unknown Pleasures" is rife with demystifying tales of a band on tour for the first time. At one point, singer Ian Curtis, whose brooding image would later feature heavily into goth iconography, is giggling at glimpsing a woman changing backstage. The band constantly played practical jokes on one another and on other bands. But while Hook's book rides the narrative arc of a band finding their identity, the author also comes to terms with signs he should have picked up on indicating Curtis was in trouble. On a roller coaster of prescription drugs to treat his epilepsy, Curtis killed himself on a Saturday night when the band were about to embark on their first U.S. tour that Monday.

"He must have gotten to the point on Saturday night that he decided he couldn't cope anymore," says Hook. "I was with him on Friday and he was absolutely f—ing fine. But that was the thing in Joy Division; it wasn't as if he was laying in the corner, begging for help. He was quite normal."

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‘Ike & Dick’: Meet the odd couple of politics

“The Odd Couple” didn’t make its Broadway premier until 1965, but in a way it had already had an eight-year trial run in the White House. Beginning in 1952, one of the strangest pairings in American political history began when the revered Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower ran for president with the generally reviled Richard Nixon as his running mate.

Former New Yorker editor and Washington journalist Jeffrey Frank entertainingly explores that eccentric relationship in his new book, “Ike & Dick: Portrait of a Strange Political Marriage.” Their story held a long-term fascination for him, Frank explains. “They were two such major figures in the 20th century. But I think what fascinated me most was this huge difference between these two men, both of whom became president.”

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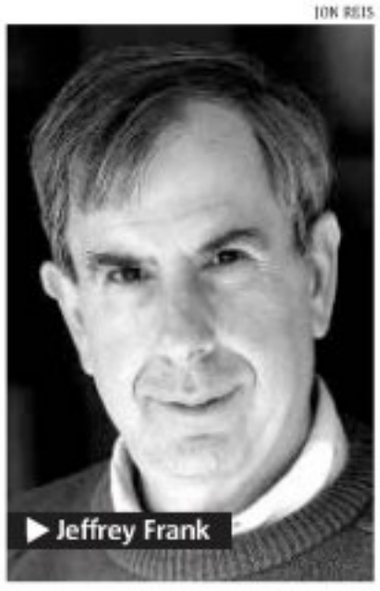

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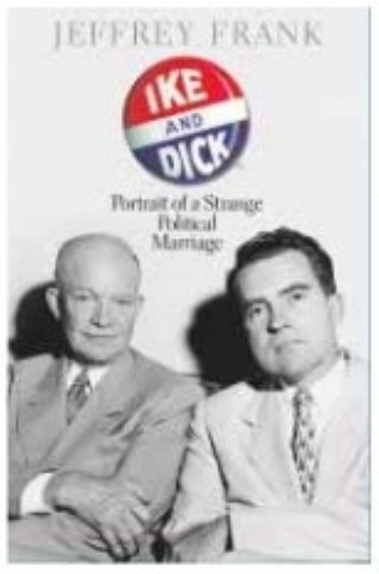

Another odd twist was that despite Eisenhower’s apparent dislike of his vice president, the two maintained a lifelong relationship, unlike most men who have occupied the same positions. They even became family when Eisenhower’s grandson, David, married Nixon’s younger daughter Julie.

In the process of telling the story, Frank says, “They became more real to me. When I started this book I was determined not to simply kick Nixon around — he’d had enough of that. I really wanted to see him as a human being. Eisenhower became in some ways a more distant character for me; even his own family didn’t know what made him tick. But I also saw how lucky we were to have him as president because of his good qualities: his patience and his instincts about war and peace.”

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Teresa Palmer in zombie love

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▶ "Warm Bodies" is in theaters now.

Teresa Palmer, star of "Warm Bodies," isn't one to shy away from a challenge, whether it's romancing a nonverbal zombie (Nicholas Hoult) or handling a shotgun. But we found one particularly daunting challenge for the Australian actress: explaining why Aussie pop star Kylie Minogue hasn't caught on in the U.S. like she has around the world.

What's it like to take on a romantic comedy role where you do all the heavy lifting, dialogue-wise?

I know. [Laughs] At first I was very intimidated by that, but actually my nickname when I was a little girl was Chatterbox because I do a hell of a lot of talking, so it seemed to fit my character. I thought it would be a huge challenge, having to express myself verbally so often, so frequently, without getting any words spoken back to me apart from the odd groan or moan. But Nicholas Hoult is such a talented actor that I really felt like he was saying so much without talking.

How do you think you'd fare in a zombie apocalypse?

I've had all the training. I know how to shoot a shotgun. I've got my weapons training down pat ... I work out a lot. So I would use those skills to figure out how to combat the zombies in the apocalypse. I think it would be fun.

Q&A

Random question because you're Australian: Why do you think Kylie Minogue has never really caught on in the States?

I don't know the ins and outs of what that is. She is so unique in Australia — her sound, her way, her vibrancy, her spirit — and in the U.K., I think she kind of stands alone. In America there are many artists trying to do her similar thing. Like, in Australia she's the big fish in the small pond, and then you come out to America and there's so many more millions and millions of people and just way more competition.

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Beyonce's Super Bowl look, in numbers

Queen B was supposed to be a Norse warrior goddess. Sartorially, that meant little strips of iguana, python and leather — with knee socks. And she pulled it off! Here's what went into 15 minutes of Super Bowl greatness.

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▶ **Designer:** Rubin Singer seems like a bit of a dark horse. But in fact, he's been dressing celebrities for years now. His clients include Alicia Keys, Lucy Liu, Queen Latifah and Heidi Klum.

▶ **Inspiration:** Singer based the costumes on Valkyrie, the hypersexual goddess of warfare from Norse mythology known for randomly selecting men on the battlefield to die.

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▶ **Stylists:** Yes, Beyonce is so major it takes two people to dress her. Singer had to present his ideas in storyboards to Beyonce's two stylists Raquel Smith and Ty Hunter right before Thanksgiving to get a green light. He spent the holidays working on what would be his biggest career gig to date.

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▶ **Number of performers** who Rubin had to dress, including Beyonce, Michelle Williams and their back-up dancers

200

▶ **Hours:** 14 garment workers spent that long creating the costumes.

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▶ **Fittings:** The number of tries it took Singer and team to get the clothes exactly right

Kenya Hunt
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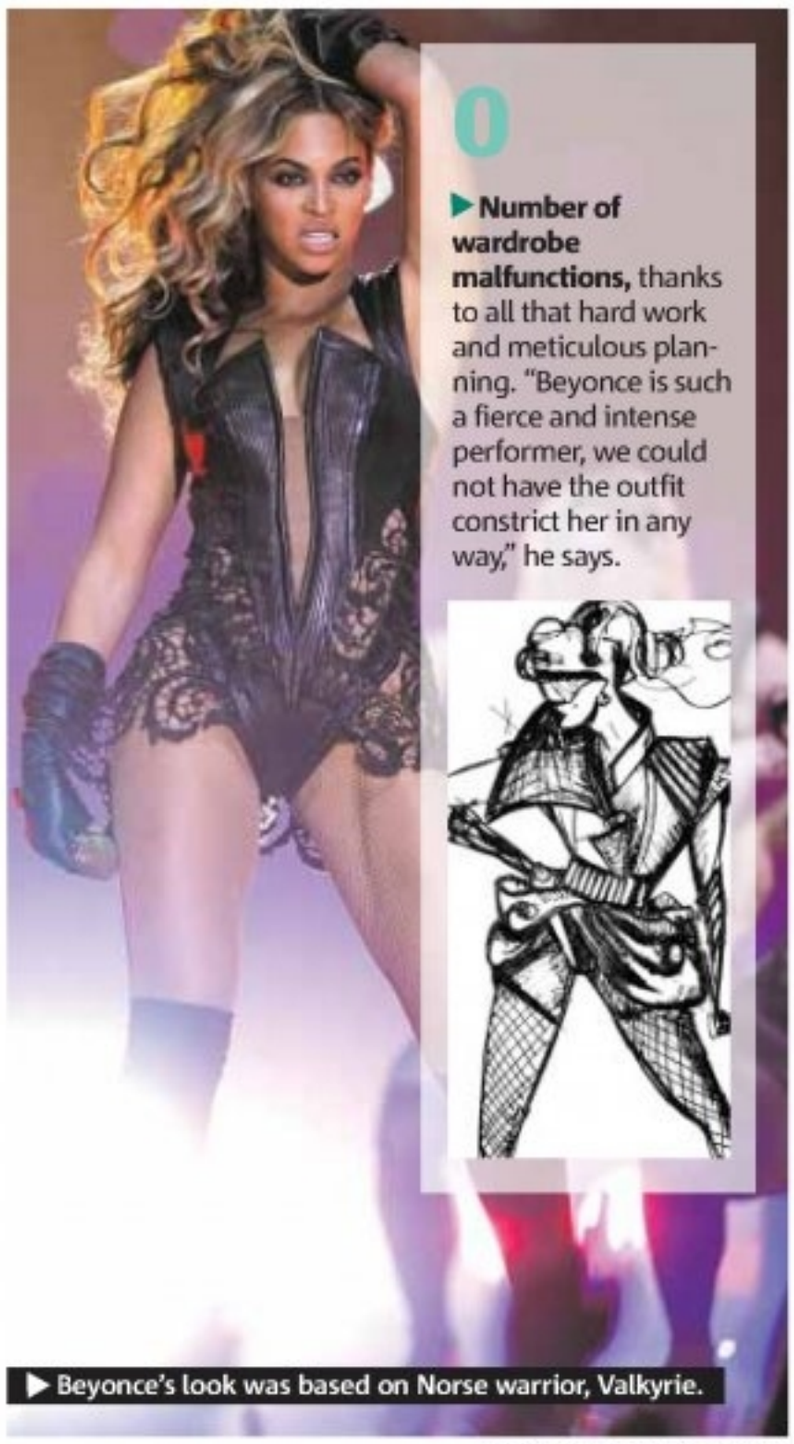
Animals: Beyonce's tiny little dress was made of python, iguana and stitched leather.



▶ Beyonce's look was based on Norse warrior, Valkyrie.

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▶ **Number of wardrobe malfunctions,** thanks to all that hard work and meticulous planning. "Beyonce is such a fierce and intense performer, we could not have the outfit constrict her in any way," he says.

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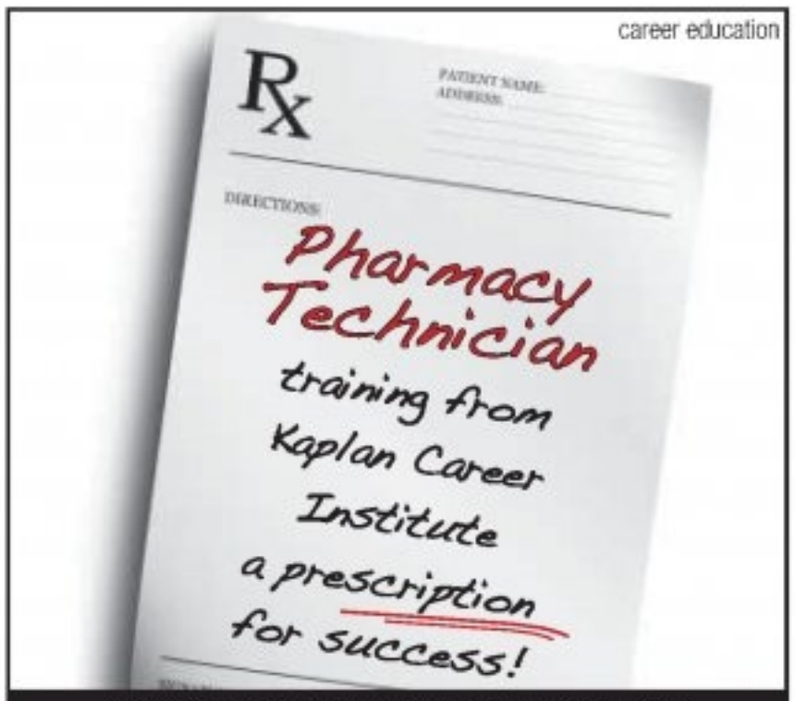

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Type 1 diabetes rising in kids per new study

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▶ Type 1 diabetes, previously known as juvenile diabetes, can be fatal if left untreated.

Cases of insulin-requiring type 1 diabetes rose sharply in children under the age of 5 in Philadelphia over a two-decade span — similar to increases seen across the U.S. and Europe, according to new research.

"Why are we seeing this large increase in type 1 diabetes in very young children? Unfortunately, the answer is that we don't know," said lead study author Terri Lipman, a professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.

In research published in Diabetes Care, Lipman and her colleagues updated a registry started in 1985 of Philadelphia children diagnosed with type 1 diabetes.

By 2004, cases in children under the age of 5 increased by 70 percent as the number of diagnosed cases among all kids up to age 14 rose by 29 percent. In 2004, the rate was 17.2 cases per 100,000.

Of the two most common forms of diabetes, type 2, typically affects adults whose bodies can still produce insulin but cannot use the hormone to regulate blood sugar. Type 1, previously known as juvenile diabetes, typically strikes children whose immune systems have killed off insulin-producing cells in the pancreas. The disease can be fatal if left untreated.

Type 1 diabetes tends to start in adolescence — but especially in light of the rising number of cases in very young children, experts say parents need to be aware that toddlers and preschoolers are also susceptible. REUTERS

The symptoms of diabetes

"It is important to be aware of the symptoms of diabetes," Laffel told Reuters Health.

Symptoms can include extreme thirst, bed wetting, accidents in toilet-trained children or excessively wet diapers in babies, she said. By the time the disease gets diagnosed, many infants and toddlers are very sick. The degree of illness tends to be more severe the younger the patient, experts noted.

Why the increase?

Several theories vie to explain the recent rise in diabetes among youth, including vitamin D deficiencies, lack of breastfeeding and overly hygienic environments that might cause the immune system to backfire. "The data is controversial, so that's why I'm certainly very reluctant to propose a theory when nothing has been proven," Lipman told Reuters."

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 # 1134 Lori Foster, # 1140 Crystal Tomlin, # 1246 Mark Wheeler, # 2217 Benjamin Johnson, # 2305 Carlton Norris, # 2420 Nicholas Ridley, # 2503 Ikea Martin, # 2507 Natashia Wilford, # 2720 Cyrus Prince, # 3008 Christina Lee Oliver, # 3106 Chaunte Dorsey, # 3117 Rejeana Perkins, # 3210 Leslie Moses, # 3216 Deborah Braxton, # 3412 Eric Garner, # 3515 Jacqueline Harper

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Koro Sun Resort

▶ Unwind between volcanoes at MesaStila.

Sugar Beach, St. Lucia

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After checking in at this luxury resort nestled between St. Lucia's famous Piton mountains, you're led up to a tree house gazebo suspended over running water. There you can enjoy an array of services, including an all-natural body scrub using fruits and herbs grown at the resort. For a decadent twist on the usual spa treatments, try the peppermint chocolate massage — with locally produced organic cocoa oil, locally produced organic coconut oil and essential oil of peppermint — or the Sulphur Seduction, which utilizes elements from the nearby sulphur springs and volcano to promote well-being. When you're done, visit the private outdoor shower to extend your bliss.

Koro Sun Resort, Fiji

www.korosunresort.com

Before they wed, JP and Ashley from "The Bachelorette" had a very romantic rendezvous at this Fijian resort (which is now available for you to book as the Passion Under Palms package). Every item in your treatment here is homegrown when possible — from the banana leafs used in body wraps to the coconut shavings used in exfoliating body scrubs. The three wooden straw huts (called Bures) are candle- and lantern-lit, and you can hear trickling waters and bird callings during your service.

How do you tip on a spa service in a foreign country?

"Leaving a 15 to 20 percent [tip] is customary in other countries," says Sallie Fraenkel, EVP of SpaFinder Wellness. "Tips should be left at the reception desk, which will have gratuity envelopes and pass them along to the therapist. You may want to check with your spa prior to paying, as most permit cash tips only. Received services from more than one therapist? Leave a separate tip for each one. ... At a medical spa, tip the facialist — not the medical doctor. Some spas include gratuity in the price, so it's always best to check before."

MesaStila, Indonesia

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MesaStila has been an active coffee plantation since Dutch Colonial times — you'll see its heritage across its 55 acres, from the railway station to the owner's residence. The property is situated within eight volcanoes, and it houses Southeast Asia's sole authentic Hammam.

Tabacon Grand Spa Thermal Resort, Costa Rica

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You'll receive your service in an open-air bungalow located in a private garden within the rainforest. Taking a dip in the area's famous hot springs is recommended, and easing in should be no problem — the mineral waters have been warmed by the nearby Arenal Volcano, and one thermal pool boasts a swim-up bar and water slide. Eco-friendly travelers will be happy to hear that the resort is 100 percent carbon-neutral and that the spa utilizes local ingredients like volcanic mud and thermal waters.

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Horoscope

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Involvements with authority figures will work out in your favor, whether they were deliberately orchestrated or occur by happenstance.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Establish some definite objectives for the day, but keep them private. You'll find that you will perform far more effectively if you don't have to justify your intentions to others.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Certain knowledge you recently acquired can be used constructively on a current project. You can not only better your own lot in life, but improve things for associates as well.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Take the reins, because your leadership abilities can be a critical factor in revitalizing a joint endeavor that has been going downhill. Your new direction can produce success.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** It looks like balance and harmony can be restored in a situation that has become increasingly unsettling. Your efforts, coupled with another's, will be responsible for the improvement.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Certain things that have been impossible to handle on your own can be achieved with the help of surrogates if you motivate them properly. Make sure they can benefit as well.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** A partnership arrangement can become far more productive if you provide the initiative and let the other person serve as a backup. It could be totally up to you to rev the engines.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** A number of important assignments you've been unable to conclude satisfactorily can be finalized by prioritizing them and then knocking them off one at a time.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Your popularity is peaking right now, and the impression you're making in your social encounters is favorable and lasting. You'll not find a better time to circulate and make new friends.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Financial trends are far more favorable than they might be tomorrow. If you're involved in something that could spell profit, every minute counts.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** You'll not only be a fast thinker, but you should also be able to express yourself in an eloquent and effective manner.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** A venture in which you're presently involved looks like it could be turned into a financial winner, even though you might have to use a slightly different approach than you normally would.

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Solution to yesterday's crossword

Letters

Americans used to agree that freedom to own guns didn't preclude safety

RE: "YOU CAN'T VOTE VIOLENCE OUT OF OFFICE" (METRO, FEB. 4) Letter writer Marcus DeForest argues that we can't end violence until society has a change of values.

That's like arguing we should not have laws against burglary, because it still occurs, or safety laws for cars and highways, because accidents still occur.

The Constitution gives us the right to bear arms, but also the right of self-government — e.g., safety rules. In the 1940s and '50s, the NRA agreed that safety rules for guns and gun sales were reasonable.

Now the NRA gun lobby is funded by corporations that make guns.

They spread fear about safety rules. They say rules won't help. We don't need assault weapons, high capacity magazines or cop-killer bullets.

HARRY THORN, VIA E-MAIL

I began reading Marcus DeForest's letter thinking "Great, a reasonable, insightful approach."

But then I read the statement: "The argument that guns kill people is logically akin to saying spoons made me fat."

What? We have to agree that guns are built to fire bullets. Into people.To hurt them. Yes, there are hunting rifles and marksmanship is an Olympic sport, but what we're dealing with is military weapons designed to kill people rapidly. That's the issue.

These guns and also incidentally bullets designed for maximum carnage did not exist when the Constitution and Second Amendment were written.

Neither were cars or nuclear power plants. That doesn't mean they can't be regulated. They must be regulated.

That's the argument. The NRA and its apologists oppose some clearly needed regulations on who can own and sell and profit from the kind of guns and ammo that have only one purpose — killing a lot of people. That's it. And finally, the NRA has to lose one, their campaign money be damned.

PAUL SIMONS, VIA E-MAIL

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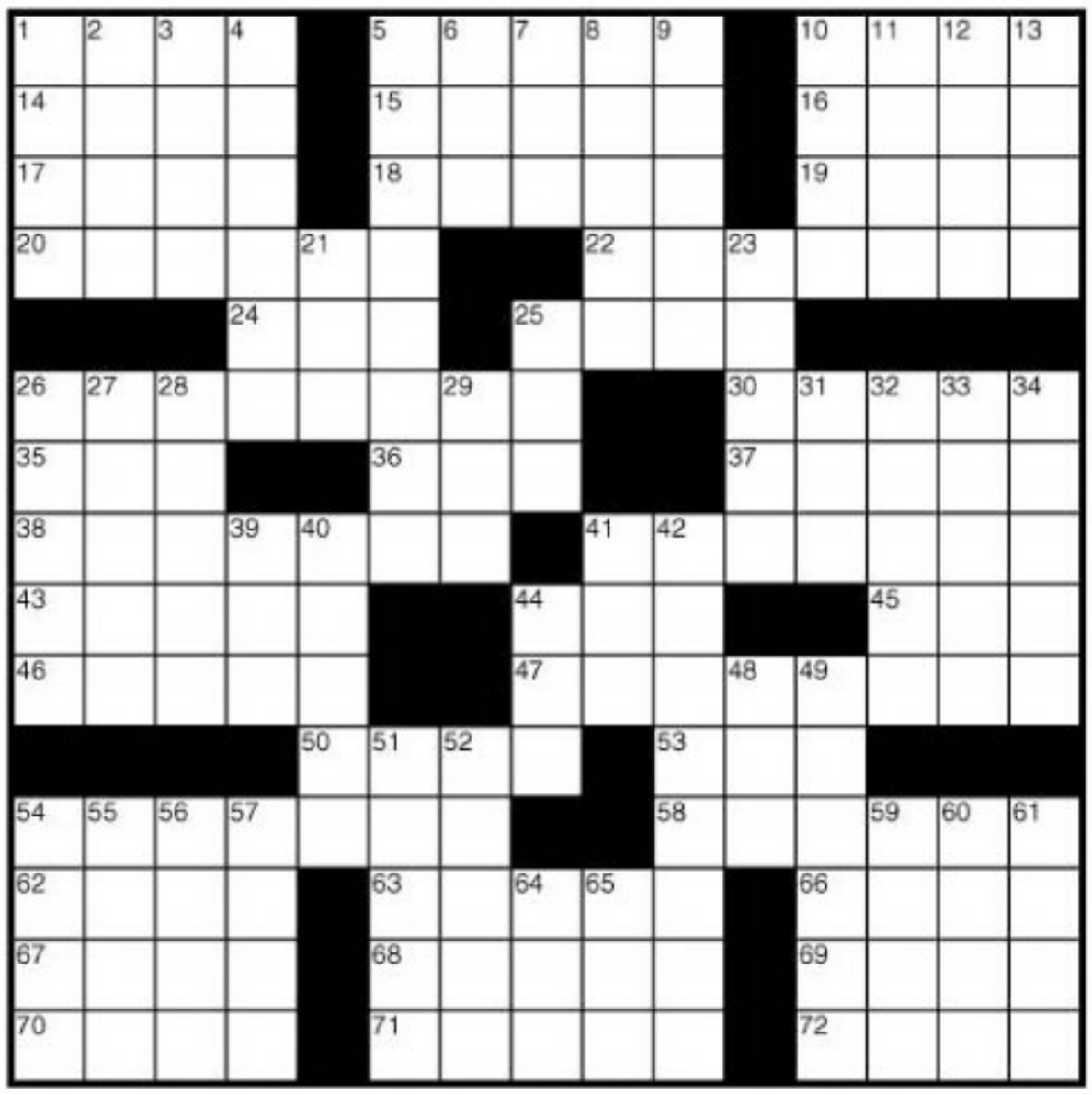

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Flyers' McGinn gets shot due to injuries

Rookie upgraded to top line with Simmonds out indefinitely Flyers host Lightning today

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McGinn is a 22-year-old living the dream.

The Flyers have had to deal with a myriad of issues that threaten to wreck them. And now Peter Laviolette is juggling his lines on almost a nightly basis.

The latest finds that Wayne Simmonds, out indefinitely with what has been confirmed as a concussion, suffered when he took a vicious elbow from John Erskine. Simmonds had just moved to the top line, with Claude Giroux and Danny Briere.

So 22-year-old rookie Tye McGinn will be lining up with the new captain and Briere when the Flyers try to avenge last week's 5-1 loss to Tampa Bay. Not too shabby for a kid who didn't even make the team coming out of training camp.

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Since being recalled, however, McGinn has a goal and two assists with nine penalty minutes in six games.

"It's been up and down, but it's been a great journey for me," said the 6-foot-2, 205-pounder. "The organization has been unbelievable to me with all the positive things they've said to me. I'm just trying to do my best to contribute back."

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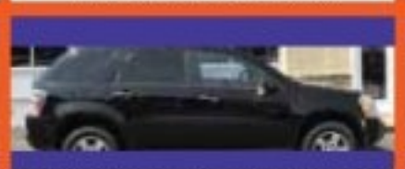
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NEW COACH PASSING ALL EARLY TESTS

Chip Kelly is already forging a bond with Eagles fans after a surprise visit to Wing Bowl.

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In his 14 years here, Andy Reid never grasped the responsibility an NFL coach has to the fans. Chip Kelly already understands the bond. That's why Kelly stood there in the middle of the Wells Fargo Center at 7:40 a.m. last Friday and offered an official hello.

"Yo, Philly!" he yelled from the arena floor, triggering a response that buckled his knees. And so began the new relationship between a city starved for a championship and a football lifer who wants it even more.

Chip Kelly gets it. He realizes that many of those 20,000 fans at Wing Bowl will also be in the seats at Lincoln Financial Field, will also be wearing high-priced team apparel, will also be cheering when the Eagles win — and yes, booing when they don't.

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▶ Kelly went out of his way to connect with Eagles fans last week, something that Andy Reid never did.

I know exactly what the cynics are thinking. Kelly found a way to silence the loudest critic in the sports media (um, me) by the simple gesture of traveling down Pattison Avenue and spending a couple of minutes at a silly wing-eating contest. These naysayers think my support can be won that easily. And, of course, they are correct.

But the doubters are also missing the point, that Kelly cared enough about the fans to make an effort Andy Reid never saw as important. Oh, Reid lavished praise on the zealots who filled every seat for every game. He just never figured out that a few hollow words, usually delivered during the euphoria of victory, were not enough for a city that deserved more.

Kelly's appearance at Wing Bowl was his idea, not mine. He brought it up in our first conversation after he was hired, saying he wanted to attend because Wing Bowl "is the second most important bowl in Philadelphia." Yeah, right, I thought. With all of the half-dressed women and disgusting eaters? Fat chance.

The truth is, I never bothered to pursue the idea. It was Kelly, through the Eagles' PR staff, who contacted WIP and meticulously planned it in a way that would avoid any embarrassing situations. (In other words, no photo ops with girls in bikinis, no stepping over drunks, no vomit, etc.) The new coach went out of his way to be at Wing Bowl because he thought it was important.

Winning my favor wasn't his goal. He is smart enough to realize my support extends only to his first mistake, his first bad loss, first dumb comment. My reactions tend to be knee-jerk, with emphasis on the latter word. He has done his homework. He knows that.

Chip Kelly was at Wing Bowl because he wanted to acknowledge how important the fans are. And for the first time in 14 years, the coach of our football team actually believed it.

– Angelo Cataldi *is host of 94 WIP's Morning Show, airs weekdays 5:30-10 a.m.*

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Philly chatter

Remember the good times this winter

The end of the NFL season is never a welcome time, but this year promises more despair than usual. Until the Phillies open their season on April Fool's Day, our city is looking at 55 days with only the Sixers and Flyers to entertain us. And they both stink.

Please pardon the brutal appraisal of our winter teams. I would have found a more eloquent term, but neither club is worth it. The Sixers posted back-to-back wins last week against awful opponents, prompting coach Doug Collins to predict his players are finally coming together. Yeah, and I'm beginning to resemble George Clooney.

Until Andrew Bynum plays a game, there is no reason for hope. The rest of the team is Jrue Holiday and a bunch of inconsistent non-entities. And Bynum revealed more than he intended when he said it "didn't really matter" when he returned.

The Flyers are even worse. Not only do they lack any offense, especially on the power play, but they can't make it through a game without someone getting hurt. At one point last week, nutty goaltender **Ilya Byzgalov** actually gestured to his teammates to calm down. Ilya Bryzgalov, team leader. Can the Flyers sink any lower than that?

Here's my best advice for the avid Philadelphia sports fan in the winter of darkness: Live in the past the way I do (2008, 1983, 1980, 1975, 1974, 1960).

And remove all sharp objects from your house for the next two months, just in case. **ANGELO CATALDI**

NFL chatter

Say goodbye to biggest fraud in all of sports

The worst thing about the outcome of the Super Bowl was that **Ray Lewis** left as a champion. Despite a month of nauseating hype and a memorable final night, Lewis should be remembered as the biggest fraud of the past generation in sports.

He is a devoutly religious man only when it serves his agenda. He is the worst example of the look-at-me era in sports, a charlatan espousing teamwork while pushing aside his fellow players for his solo. And he still has a shady past on which he chooses to shed no light.

Only an egomaniac like Lewis would expect not to be asked last week about murder charges he faced after Super Bowl XXXIV. Two men were killed in Atlanta in 2000, and Lewis pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice. Lewis lashed out last week when asked about the incident.

"Nobody here is really qualified to ask those questions," Lewis said.

He compounded the infraction by telling CBS that "God never makes mistakes," implying that the two victims deserved to die. After the victory, he boldly declared that God chose to support the Ravens over the Niners.

The great irony in Lewis' obnoxious behavior is that, at 37, he is a terrible player. The Ravens won not because of the one-time superstar but in spite of him. Goodbye, Ray Lewis. The sports world will be a better place without you. **ANGELO CATALDI**

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